GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3614
ANSWERED ON:12.12.2001
ALTERNATIVE BRIDGE ON NANI DAMAN VADI DAMAN
DAHYA BHAI V. PATEL

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bridge linking Nani Daman and Vadi Daman in the Union Territory of Daman and Diu is in a crumbling condition because the valid life of the bridge has already expired in 1995 itself;

(b) whether the proposal for the construction of alternate bridge has already been passed long back; and

(c) if so, the present status thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)(MAJOR GENERAL(B.C.KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a) Central Government is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways only. There is no National Highway in Union Territory of Daman and Diu. Responsibility for development and maintenance of all other roads and bridges falls within the purview of the respective State Government/Union Territories. Administration of Daman & Diu has reported that after the repairs and rehabilitation work undertaken during the year 2001, the condition of the bridge is safe for the present.

(b)&(c) The modified proposal for construction of alternate bridge amounting to Rs 32.79 crore has been received recently in this Ministry for technical scrutiny. Funds for development of roads in Union Territory of Daman & Diu are being provided by the Ministry of Home Affairs.